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GANDHI KEEPING AN OPEN MIND.

STATEMENT ON RELEASE FROM PRISON.

INDIA'S PROBLEMS DEBATED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK.

THE RELAXATION of tension in India, the encouraging results of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's declaration of policy, are exemplified in a brief interview granted by Mahatma Gandhi on his release from prison yesterday. The leader of the Congress preserves an open mind and will not commit himself until he has conferred with his colleagues and the leading Indian delegates at the Round Table Conference on their return from London.

Meanwhile, a full dress debate in the House of Commons on the results of the Round Table Conference, in which the Prime Minister reviewed the whole labours of the Conference, and asked the House to instruct the Government to complete its work in India, revealed almost unanimity of good will. Mr. Winston Churchill, who steadfastly adhered to a "die-hard" outlook was repudiated by Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who declared that the ex-Chancellor was not speaking on behalf of the Conservative Party, which would seek to draft a Federal Constitution for India if returned to power.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald declared that the alternative to a new Constitution in India would be the repression of the whole population which would afford Britain neither credit nor success.



GANDHI

PARTY REPUDIATE MR. CHURCHILL.

Poona, Jan. 26. Having been held in custody at Poona, upon the principles which should be applied to an Indian Government and made the foundation of any Constitution ultimately drafted.

Interviewed by Reuter's representative on the platform at Chinawad, near Poona, where he was waiting for a train to take him to Bombay, Gandhi declared that he was keeping an open mind on the present political situation.

He did not wish to confine himself until he had conferred with his colleagues, and especially with Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and other members of the Round Table Conference, who were now returning to India from London.

Gandhi stressed the desirability of the immediate release of all political prisoners sentenced for carrying out his civil disobedience campaign.—Reuter.

Commons Debate.

London, Jan. 26. For the first time since its conclusion, the work of the Indian Round Table Conference was discussed in the House of Commons to-day when the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who presided at the conference, made a statement. The Viceroy Elect of India, Lord Willingdon, listened in the gallery to the speeches.

The Premier emphasised that the present position of the Indian problem was the result of evolution and had been reached step by step, with each of its inevitable consequences of further steps later on.

He specially reminded Mr. Winston Churchill, who was so critical of the present policy, that it was a sequel to statements made, and stages reached, when other Governments, of which Mr. Churchill had been a member, were in power.

Premier's Tributes.

The Premier paid a tribute to the Indian delegates who came into the Conference at grave inconvenience, loss, and risk to their reputations.

The raw material of the conference, he said, was the Simon Report, for which India owed a debt, which, in the future, she would be better able to appreciate.

What they meant to do, and what they had done, was to agree in ad-

HUGE OPIUM HAUL AT NEW YORK.

SIX HUNDRED TINS FOUND ON RABY CASTLE.

HIDDEN IN MAST.

New York, Jan. 26. Six hundred half-pound tins of opium, valued at over \$3120,000, were seized by Customs officials during an inspection of the British motor vessel Raby Castle, from Port Said. The opium was concealed in the base of the ship's hollow steel mast. No arrests were made, but the crew, mostly Chinese, is being kept under surveillance.

The owners of the ship are liable to fine equal to the value of the opium, if it is proved that they were aware of the shipment.—*Reuters' American Service*.

Hongkong Seizure Recalled.

Geneva, Jan. 26. The Opium Committee today examined the list of seizures of drugs between November, 1929, and June, 1930.

Sir Malcolm Delevigne drew attention to a large seizure of man opium in Hongkong in September, and emphasised the value of the information obtained from China with regard to concealment of drugs. He said this would be enhanced if the Chinese authorities without delay sent particulars of such cases to the Governments of the countries from which the drugs had been despatched.

Dr. Wu Kai-seng, on behalf of China, undertook to communicate Sir Malcolm Delevigne's observations to the Chinese Government, and added that the Chinese authorities would do their utmost in this matter.—*Reuters*.

SEQUEL TO TRAIN HOLD-UP.

POLICE AND TROOPS CAPTURE BANDIT GANG.

CHIEFTAINS KILLED.

Canton, Jan. 26. As a result of information received concerning the whereabouts of the remainder of the bandit gang who held up the Canton-Shaochow train recently, Commissioner Ayen Rue, of the Bureau of Public Safety, ordered a raid to be carried out at the small village of Tachu in the Fayan district.

A party of police supported by a squad of Peace Maintenance Corps, proceeded to the destination given, and, timing their arrival for midnight on the 24th inst., surrounded the bandits.

On the alarm being given, a stubborn resistance was put up in an endeavour to cover the escape of the two chiefs, Yane Han and Yany Tan, who were both killed.

Having captured the remainder of the gang, the police searched their hiding place where they found several pistols and a quantity of ammunition. The captured bandits were returned to Canton under a strong escort.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

DUTCH RAILWAY SMASH.

THREE KILLED AND MANY INJURED.

Amsterdam, Jan. 26. Three were killed and many injured to-night as the result of a collision between a passenger train and a goods train at Groningen Station.

The mishap occurred as the result of a mistake by a pointsman.—*Reuter*.

HSINMING PIRATES CONDEMNED.

EXECUTION ORDERED BY ADMIRAL CHAN.

Canton, Jan. 27. It is announced that following the close examination of the five pirates captured after the raid on the China Merchants' ss. Hsinming, Admiral Chan Chak has ordered their execution.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

SOUTH'S LUCK IN CUP DRAW.

THREE OF FOUR TEAMS AT HOME.

PORTSMOUTH TO PLAY WEST BROMWICH.

LEADING CONTENDERS.

London, Jan. 26. The draw for the Fifth Round of the Football Association Cup was made in London to-day, resulting as follows:

Birmingham	v.	Watford.
Chelsea	v.	Blackburn R.
Barnsley	v.	Bradford C. or Wolverhampton.
Portsmouth	v.	West Brom. A.
Everton	v.	Grimsby.
Exeter City	v.	Leeds United.
Southport	v.	Bradford.
Bolton	v.	Sunderland.
Sunderland	v.	Sheffield U.

Matches are to be played on February 14th.—*Reuters*.

The elimination of the majority of the "giants" on Saturday renders the draw for the Fifth Round more than ordinarily interesting. While the eighteen clubs still interested include three teams who have won the Cup in the past ten years—Bolton (3 times), Blackburn and Sheldene United—seven of them are in the Fifth Round for the first time in their history.

South in Luck.

The South appears to have been extremely lucky. Only four clubs have survived and three of them are drawn at home, the weakest of the four being the least fortunate.

Portsmouth, defeated in the final by Bolton in 1929, should overcome the West Bromwich obstacle and Chelsea should eliminate ex-winners in Blackburn Rovers. Exeter City, whose performance at Bury was one of the outstanding of the Fourth Round results, are drawn at home to Leeds United.

Bolton have a severe test at Sunderland before they earn the right to meet other ex-Cup winners in Sheffield United, and the probabilities are that they will not reach the Fifth Round.

Probable Last Eight.

The probable last eight would appear to be—Birmingham, Chelsea, Wolves, Portsmouth, Everton, Exeter, Southport, Sunderland—five from the first Division and two from the Second, all previous winners since the war being out.

Chelsea, Portsmouth and Everton appear, in view of the draw, to be the strongest contenders for Wembley, though the Wolves, former finalists, may take some upsetting.

Scottish Cup.

In the Scottish Cup re-play, Morton defeated Raith Rovers by two clear goals and qualified to meet Queen's Park at Hampden Park in the Second Round to be played on Saturday next.

Postponed league matches played to-day resulted:

First Division.

West Ham	3	Newcastle	2
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Second Division.

Tottenham	3	Stoke City	0
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Oldham	0	Barnsley	0
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Port Vale	1	Everton	3
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West Brom.	2	Bury	0
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Third Division (South).

Newport	2	Cry. Palace	1
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The revised league tables are appended:

Goals.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	26	15	5	70	41	37.
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Wednesday	23	15	6	3	69	34
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Wednesday	23	13	8	76	54	34
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Wednesday	23	13	7	55	49	33
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Wednesday	25	11	9	55	41	31
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Wednesday	26	12	6	8	60	56
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Wednesday	27	12	4	11	58	58
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Wednesday	28	10	6	10	55	50
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Wednesday	28	11	4	11	44	26
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Wednesday	25	9	7	9	53	42
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Wednesday	25	10	5	10	45	25
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Wednesday	25	9	7	10	54	26
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Wednesday	25	11	3	11	63	56
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Wednesday	26	10	5	10	61	22
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Wednesday	25	9	4	12	36	40
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Wednesday	25	6	7	12	38	60
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Wednesday	25	7	14	47	18
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Wednesday	26	0	13	41	65
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BRITISH PRESS LOOKS FOR RESULTS.

London, Jan. 26.

The Government of India's official communiqué announcing the unconditional release of Mr. Gandhi and other Congress leaders was issued last night. The Viceroy's message stated that, in order to provide an opportunity for consideration of the statement made by the Prime Minister on January 13, the Government, in consultation with the local Governments, have thought it right that members of the Working Committee of the All-India Congress should enjoy full liberty of discussion between themselves, and with those who have acted as members of the committee since January 1, 1930. In accordance with this decision, and with no object and in order that there may be no legal bar to any meeting they may wish to hold, any orders declaring the Committee to be an unlawful association under the Criminal Law Amendment Act will be withdrawn by all the local Governments.

It is added that this action has been taken in pursuance of a sincere desire to assist in the creation of such peaceful conditions as would enable the Government to implement the undertaking given by the Prime Minister, that if civil quiet were proclaimed and assured, the Government would not be backward in its response.

The Viceroy adds, "I am content to hope those who will be affected by our decision will act in the same spirit as inspires it, and I am confident that they will recognise the importance of securing for these grave issues a calm and dispassionate examination."

In Parliament.

Reference will probably be made to Gandhi's release in the House of Commons this evening, when the work of the Round Table Conference will be reviewed. The Opposition have not put down any resolution on the subject, and it will be raised on the motion for an adjournment of the House.

Press Comments.

Few of the newspapers have so far commented upon the release. The Daily Mail condemns the Viceroy's action, for which it says there is not a shadow of justification in view of the extremely grave conditions in India; and the Morning Post doubts the wisdom of the experiment.

The Daily Telegraph says that while there is no assurance whatever that events will take the course hoped for by the Viceroy, some reliance can no doubt be placed on the favourable reception of the outcome of the Conference by the Indian parties and interests, apart from the Congress; also on the known desire of a section of the Congress for abandonment of non-co-operation, and on the fact that the demands of Congress as they stood eighteen

months ago are very largely met by what has now been tentatively proposed. The measure now announced, it says, is in the dubious category of those which can be justified only by success.

The Manchester Guardian believes that "the freeing of Gandhi will encourage the moderate elements in the Congress. It is a gesture of goodwill, and a break with the unhappy past. It suggests that as a result of the Conference a new situation has arisen. Up to now, following the wise advice of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Mr. Sastri and some others, Collyross has not committed itself with regard to Mr. MacDonald's statement. The present thoughtful silence is at least hopeful."

The Daily News says that "if all the intelligent well-wishers of India will earnestly hope that those released will seize the opportunity offered them, then can be no doubt that a general amnesty will follow swiftly. The bold step already taken is a guarantee of that."—British Wireless.

Nehru Released.

Allahabad, Jan. 26. Jawaharlal Nehru, the president of the All-India Congress, has been released from jail.—Reuter.

A Formidable List.

New Delhi, Jan. 26. Replying to questions in the Assembly, Sir James Crerar, on behalf of the Government, said that 54,000 persons had been convicted of civil disobedience offences between April and December last, of whom 20,000 had been arrested for picketing and intimidation.

In the same period, 11,000 persons so charged had been released when they apologised.

He said that 23,000 were now imprisoned.

The casualties among the public owing to firing, between April and July, were 101 killed and 427 wounded.—Reuter.

All Not Quiet.

Calcutta, Jan. 26. Chandra Bose, the Mayor of Calcutta, was arrested while leading a procession of Congress members in celebration of the anniversary of "Independence Day." The police charged with sticks, and dispersed the demonstrators.

On the contrary, it is reported from Bombay that apart from fourteen arrests in one suburb, the police did not interfere in the city-wide ceremonies of saluting the National flag to celebrate Independence Day; while several processions of Congress members carrying flags and shouting slogans were allowed, for the first time since October 16, when the Congress "War Council" was declared illegal.—Reuter.

Indians in Japan.

Tokyo, Jan. 26. Twelve Indian Nationalists in Tokyo, headed by Rashbehard Bose, the well-known Indian political refugee, have passed a resolution (Continued on Page II.)

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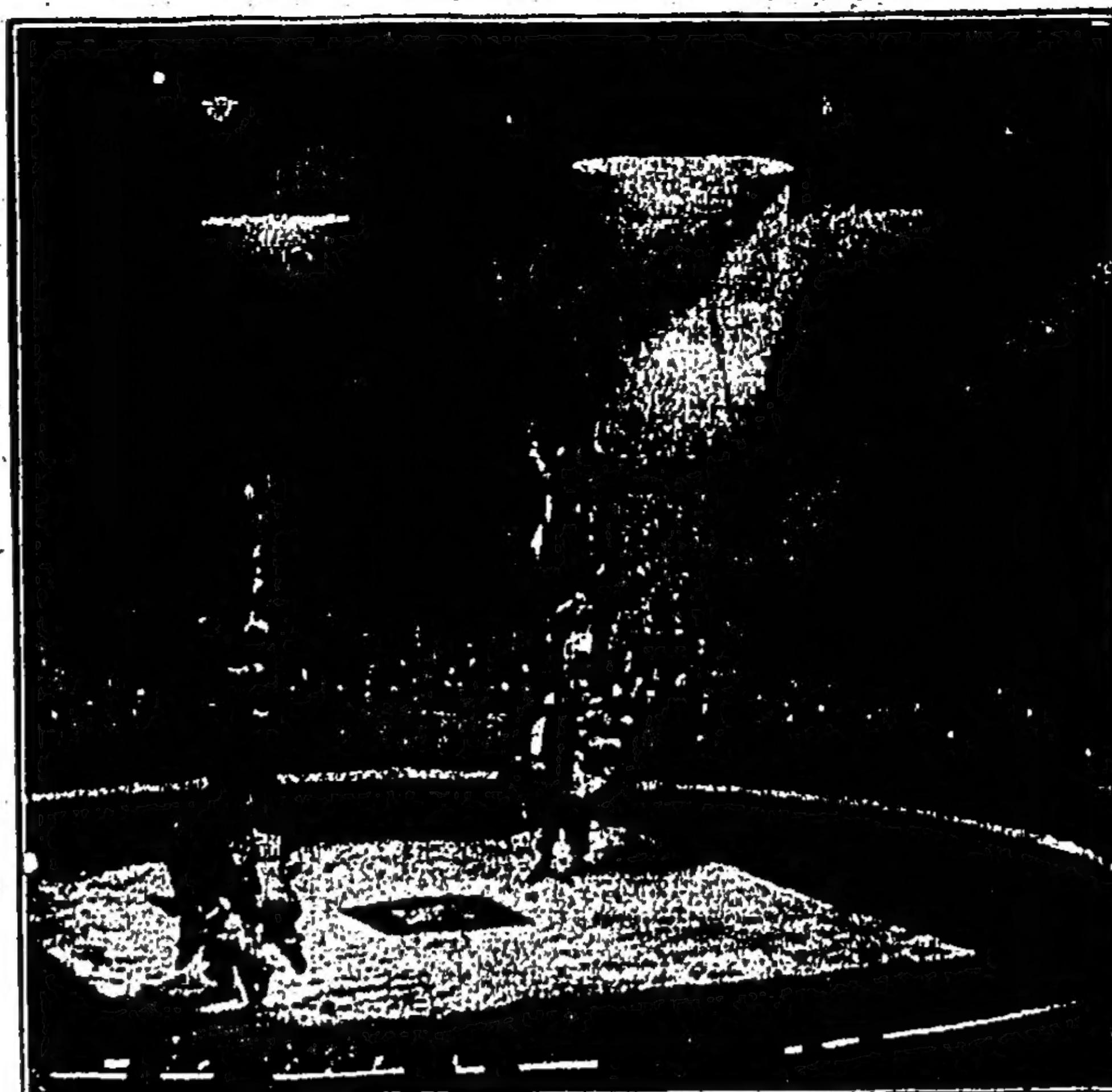
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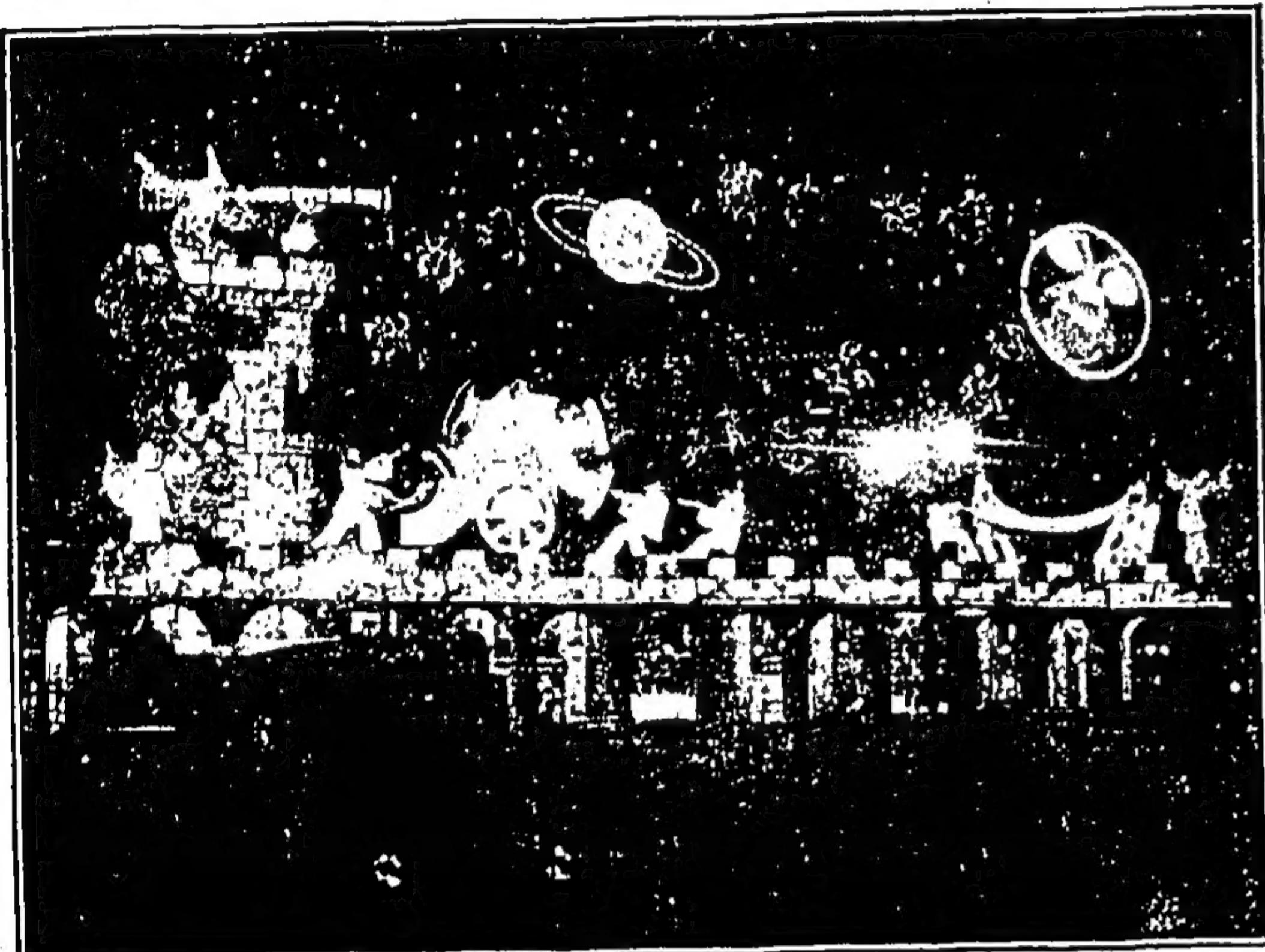




A photograph taken on Christmas Day at Morren, showing a party of visitors enjoying a game of cricket on the Palace ice rink. (Times copyright.)



A picture taken at the opening of Mr. Bertram Mills's Circus in the Grand Hall at Olympia. Fusions in entertainments come and go, but to many people a circus, with its glitter and glare, its performing animals, acrobats, and old-fashioned clowning, is always a welcome attraction and particularly at Christmas time. (Times copyright.)



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A snapshot at St. Moritz of a demonstration jump by the Swiss champion Sepp Muurbaur, who last year broke the Swiss record with a jump of 74 metres. (Times copyright.)



TOP, Bistri, a Russian wolfhound, and Otto Dachsel, a Dachshund, prize-winners at a recent Los Angeles show.



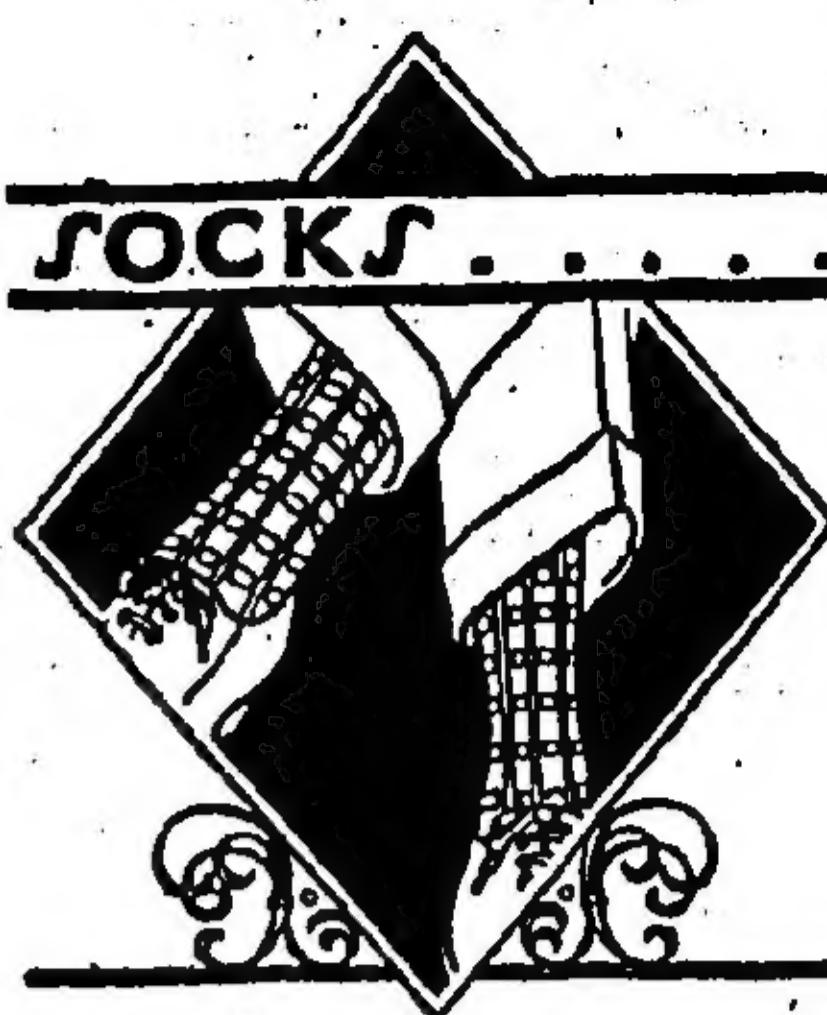
LEFT, the three children of President Hoover's son, shown arriving at the White House for a stay of several months. Mrs. Hoover is shown greeting Herbert Hoover 3d.



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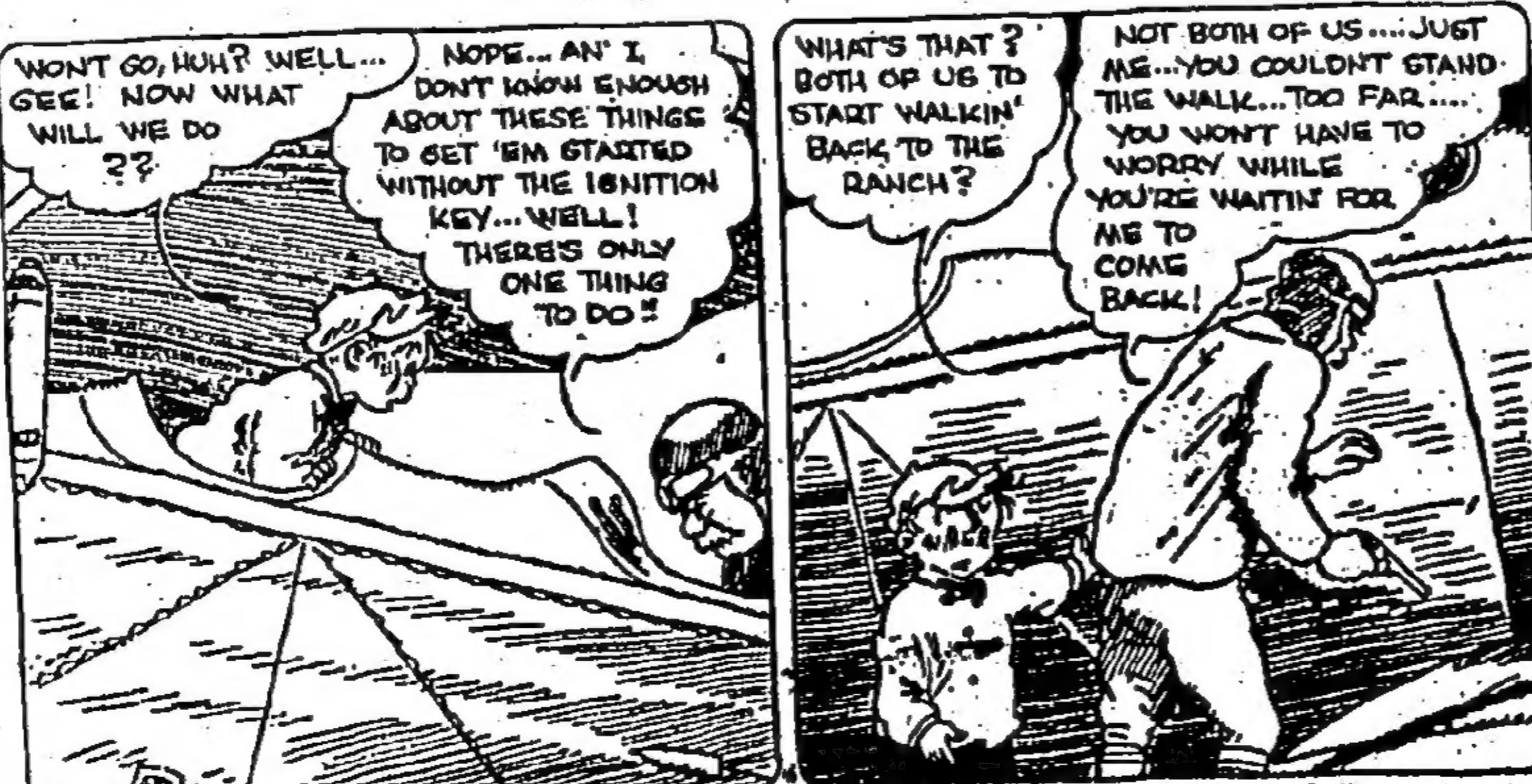
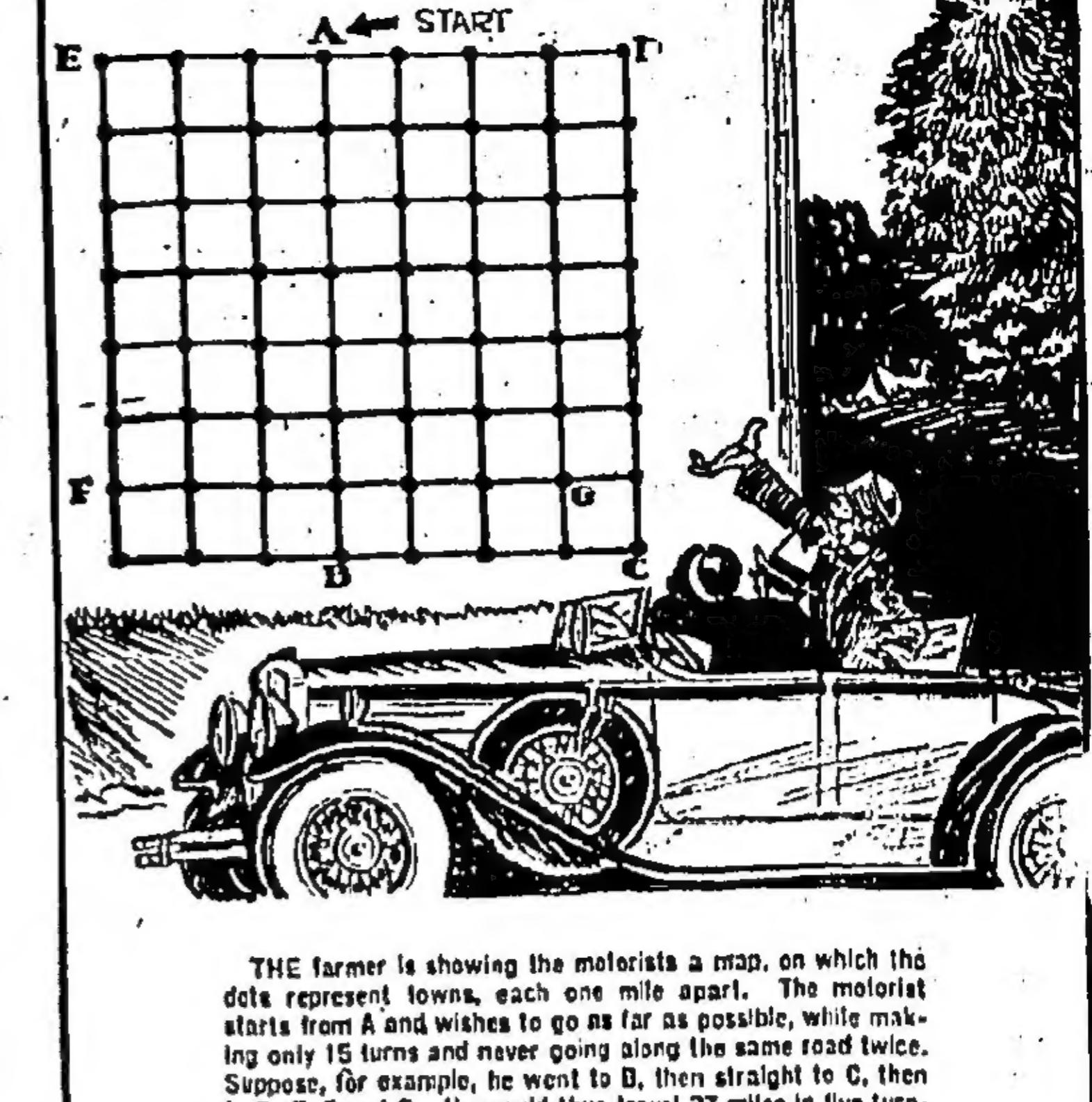
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FASHION NOTES.

The Newest Blouses.

This year, the ultra-high waist-line is being definitely lowered to just above the top of the hip-bone. Parisian women say that they find this place most generally becoming. As a consequence, we find a general falling off in the tuck-in blouse, that has proved so unbecoming to many figures.

A short over-blouse, belted at the natural waist-place, if it suits the wearer's figure, or slightly below it, takes the place of the tuck-in, except perhaps with regard to the severe tailor-made.

Sometimes the problem is solved by tucking in the back, and putting a bit of the blouse material *below* the belt, and *over* the top of the skirt in front.

Tunic-blouses are being made to drape back, and tie at the back of the waistline, an 1890 inspiration. Peplums, from the coat belt, capes, and *gadels*, are three kinds of back flares that are frequently seen on the smart winter coat. As winter advances, a great deal of *chic* moves around to the back of coats, as well as dresses.

For smart functions, and also one might say for general wear, velvet, or velveteen, is supreme. It serves for everything—dresses, tailor-made, ensembles, afternoon dresses, and hats. After velvet, come the heavy crepes, that fall so gracefully, and look so well in nicely silhouetted dresses.

For sports and morning wear, the most important are the fuzzy cheviots, the fluffy diagonals these rivaling the tweeds of which we have seen so many. The silk serges make smart afternoon dresses. Then, there are the stockinette-clothes and triotts for sports wear.

Gowns for Youthful Parties.



A smart little gown (left) with cap to match is made of red lame, shot with gold. This gown for the slender in-the-teens figure, is fitted at the bodice, with a squarish neckline and shoulder straps cut in one and a shimmeringly lovely skirt that flares below the knees. Demure and arrestingly lovely is a white satin gown (right) that innovates great skirt fullness that begins at the waistline and is held in place all around by rows of shirring. Quite unlike the majority of new gowns, this one is daringly full, right from the high waistline, which gives it a sweet, young look.

INFANT DICTATORS.

By the Hon. Mrs. St. Aubyn.

I read recently that Dictators were the fashion of the day. That the outcome of revolutions, re-organisation, and so forth, was the tendency to follow the strong man.

Being a woman, I adapted the abstract to the particular.

I presumed that, if these statements were true, our children—*to succeed*—must be of the stuff dictators are made of.

Presumably they must be strong men, or women, of single purpose, high ideals, and personality.

How was one to evolve such a creature from the plethora of modern education?

Words swam through my mind. Words which were almost catch-phrases, such as self-expression—*choice*—self-development—luck of knowledge, and so on.

"No," I thought, "this may make charming companions, men of genius, writers, artists, philosophers, but scarcely men of action."

The new schools, and even nurseries, all quote these words at one.

I agree that you should not repress a child—but not that you should encourage his expression of destruction. It is an instinct to destroy, and I feel the future Mussolini should be taught to control it, till its opposite virtue of constructiveness is well developed.

Surely to control, not just to remove the temptation, is the best preparation for after life.

That is where I question these theories. I feel that modern Child Study is rather narrow and one-sided.

It tends to deal with the abnormal child, and to criticise one who has developed in a lop-sided way. The lying child is well dealt with, but not just the one who exaggerates.

Strong Characters.

Thus, to produce the child, or rather man, we shall need in 1946 our mode of upbringing is perhaps a little old-fashioned.

We shan't then need cranks and those whose mental qualities are well-developed, but strong characters, men whose mentality will build up what their predecessors have knocked down—inspired leaders and faithful followers.

For such, I feel, self-expression, which so easily tends to selfishness, should not be too much encouraged.

I know children who read you their opinion of the present political situation, and of the way their mother runs their home; also boreas and prigs.

I think the child's character, and its strength, are best developed by teaching it self-control, obedience, and by assisting it to have a sound judgment.

Experience and life will do the rest.

Love, example, and the home atmosphere will do more for the growing child than all the self-expression in the world.

Something New.



A new development in berets is this green felt skull cap seamed at the top and ending in a mushroom button of the material.

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1 The only direction in which one can look when at the North Pole.
2 A man who gets this from the earth occupies a prominent position in it.
3 The action of an organ-grinder, shall we say?
4 What Goldilocks did to the porridge of the Little Bear.

Down

5 Though not quite clear this tribe is nearly so.
6 Indulge.

7 "Rob, my dear" (anag.).
8 You may get in here if you have a try.

14 Chop.

15 "Revenge, at first thought—Bitter ere long back on itself recollects."—Paradise Lost.

16 An honourable person does not shelter behind this counterfeit headgear.

18 Feebly.

19 Change the last letter of this shrub to get a gardener's implement.

20 There is room here for it to sweep.

21 Mark deeply.

22 This plant sounds reminiscent of the prize-ring.

23 An out-of-date interjection.

27 There is a chemist opposite, likely to have some (hidden).

Yesterday's Solution.

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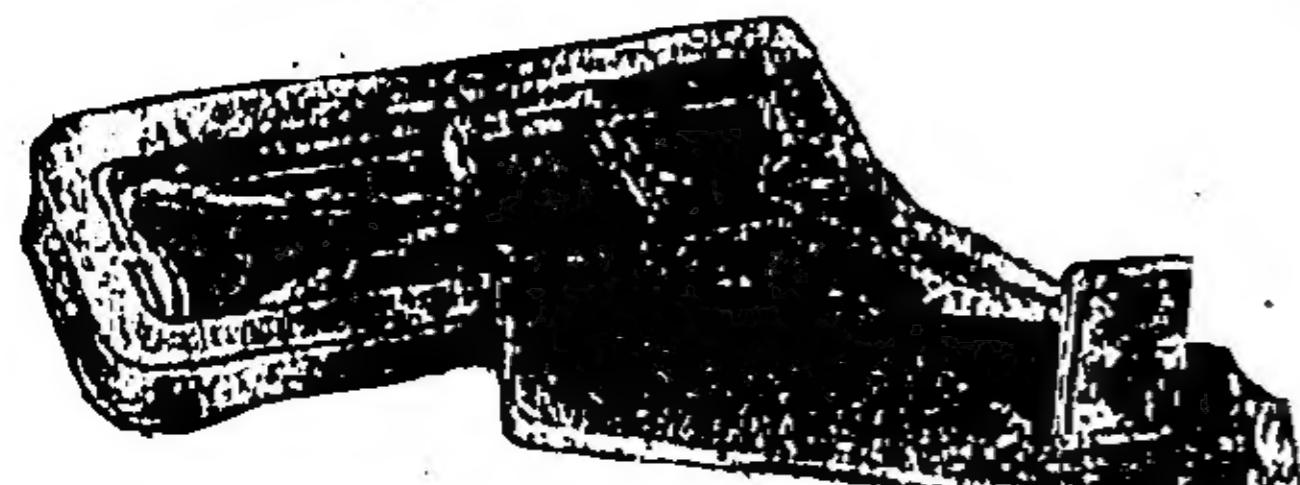
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The Hongkong Telegraph.

NEXT YEAR'S BIG CONFERENCE.

Those who have the cause of world peace at heart are expecting results of the utmost value to accrue from the World Disarmament Conference which is to be held at Geneva, under the auspices of the League of Nations early next year. Already there has been considerable discussion on various points dealt with in the proposals of the draft convention drawn up by the Preparatory Commission, in which connexion the old question of trained reserves has come in for considerable attention. In some quarters, the complete abolition of conscription has been advocated, but opinion in League circles is that this is not, at the moment, a practical proposal. Many Continental nations will not hear of it, whilst even those who by treaty have been obliged to abandon the system are by no means unanimous in praise of the change. Large sections of opinion in Germany appear to demand a reversion to the old conscriptionist system, whilst Bulgaria is repeatedly asking for it.

These facts seem to suggest that there is a good deal of disarmament education to be accomplished before the general abolition of conscription can be regarded as coming within the sphere of practical politics. It is interesting to note that according to the terms of the draft Convention, there is to be limitation of all effectives, both professional officers and men and conscripts. If the Disarmament Conference fixes the limit in any country sufficiently low, then the number of conscriptionist troops will obviously have to be reduced. Selection of men for military service may be determined by lot, or restricted by a higher medical standard, or by more extensive exemptions for family or industrial reasons. It is well to note also that the proposed limitation extends to all military service, including "refresher courses" as well as the first training with the colours. When the World Conference comes to discuss the appropriate force in each country, no doubt the "potential" of trained reserves will have to be taken into account just as, on the other hand, the actual fighting value of long-service troops will have to be considered.

There has been some criticism of the draft Convention as to material. On this point, Lord Cecil, who hopes for great things

from the World Conference, admits that budgetary limitation is by itself incomplete. It does not deal adequately with material at present in stock, and it's possible to evade such limitation, but, in the view of Lord Cecil, the machinery suggested of requiring uniform returns from the different countries as to their total expenditure, and special returns as to their naval and military material, will form a fairly trustworthy method of limitation. Short of deliberate deception, there cannot be any doubt under this system as to the amount of money being spent by each country on armaments. Of course, if there is to be deliberate deception, no scheme can be made really watertight. Budgetary limitation of material, coupled with the limitation of personnel, would appear to offer the best method of dealing with the question, and there is a considerable bulk of opinion which believes that, with further appropriate measures, a very real measure of disarmament may be worked out.

It is well to keep in mind, however, one point which Lord Cecil is never tired of stressing—namely, that any method of limitation inscribed in Treaties will be futile unless, by the hard work of popular education, people can be brought to the point of insisting that it be made effective. Regrets and recriminations will lead nowhere; the one task which really matters is to inspire and organise public opinion so as to ensure the success of the coming Conference. If the public conscience is awakened, then no Government will be able to resist the demand of its people for a forward step in the direction of disarmament and world peace.

Doom of Jazz.

The brilliant first-night of the Westminster Glee Singers and the remarkable public response suggest that Hongkong may one day live down its bad name in the musical world. No community which can sit with genuine pleasure through an entertainment consisting largely of glees, madrigals, simple stories in song ballad and broad-marching choruses, can be reproached with lack of musical appreciation. If it was true of Hongkong in the past, it is doubtful if it is true now; thanks, perhaps, to the enthusiastic organisation of the Musical Society. Looking around, it would appear that Hongkong's reformation is part of a general revolt in the English-speaking world against jazz. Lovers of great and beautiful music were at one time apprehensive lest, to put it in their own words, "jazz might oust music." In the last two or three years, there have been suggestions that the end of jazz is in sight. Neither of these expectations has been fully realised, but to-day finds that supporters both of the great classics and of the sweet tunefulness of old ballad and song may take heart from the fact that there are indications that the music of their delight is receiving wider and wider approval and support. The recent festival at Norwich was a wonderful illustration of this "revival," audiences attending from all over the country to listen eagerly to oratorio or concerto. The B.B.C.'s efforts to acquaint listeners with the beauties of Beethoven, Wagner, Elgar and other masters are meeting with immense success. It is difficult to put one's finger on the demand for beauty in music, but it exists, and warrants every encouragement.

"KOCHOW" STILL AGROUND.

Enquiries made this morning regarding the s.s. Kochow shows that she is still fast aground five miles below Samshui, near Campbell Island.

The cargo is still on the ship, and it is hoped that she will be refloated after this has been taken off.

DAY BY DAY

HE WHO CAN TAKE ADVICE IS SOMETIMES SUPERIOR TO HIM WHO CAN GIVE IT.—VON KNEBEL

The P. and O. s.s. Alipore, from Singapore, is due here at noon on February 2nd.

Mr. H. W. Kinney, of the South Manchuria Railway Company, is in Hongkong on his way to Manlia.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has decided to hold its annual carnival ball this year, on Friday 6th March at 9.15 p.m. This will be during Race Week.

Mr. Eric Teichman, Chinese Secretary of the British Legation, has left Peking en route to Singapore, where he will meet the British Minister Sir Miles Lampson, and his party. All of them will leave Singapore in the middle of February for China via Hongkong.

A fine of \$1,500 or six months' hard labour, was inflicted on a Chinese, who, arrested in possession of 60 tads of raw opium, was also found to have a previous conviction for a similar offence. The case was before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning.

Charged on three different counts of obtaining small sums of money from shops by falsely pretending that he had been authorised to do so by the Inspector General of Police, an unemployed Chinese who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning was remanded till Thursday afternoon.

The annual meeting of the St. Andrew's Club was held last night, with the Rev. W. W. Rogers in the chair. After the usual business had been transacted the following officials were elected for the ensuing year:—Chairman, Rev. W. W. Rogers; Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. H. Wong; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. N. A. E. Mackay; General Committee, E. Landolt and Messrs. E. F. Fineher, R. Baldwin and H. Kew.

And here is Mr. Arnold Bennett, who "lives on twenty-four hours a day," telling us that all the real writers hate their writing and that those who don't are merely the duffers at their job.

Marivaux's young man, as you see, was of this splendid company, but he didn't hide his idleness under a panoply of hated endeavour.

So we arrive at the fact that the work of the world has been done by the unwilling horses, merely lacking the complete self-revelation of this friend of Marivaux's.

He considered laziness was not an excuse but a vindication, and "put in" no nonsense about what he had done—"Ah, sir, if you only knew."

The truth is absolute, he pleads "guilty," and the case is "dismissed." There is a smooth perfection about the thing that compels the tribute of a reluctant esteem.

And who on earth really cares about the busy man? He is merely a ruthless egotist doing the best for himself. He never gives anyone a wrinkle. What he is doing is merely adding one day to his own collection till his brow that does all the sweating business gradually assumes the appearance of Willesden Junction.

And what does all this "speeding-up" amount to? Just "nerves," then neurasthenia, and then the great parade of retirement and a beginning of that Elysian laziness whose call he has unheeded all his life—and all in vain.

Al Harley-street says that what this modern fever needs is a febrifuge, not an irritant. We ought, in fact, to lead flower-like lives and just grow beautifully instead of zetting "temperatures" scrambling to Lord's for the cricket—that dries up in an hour—and fighting up the stairs into a stadium for the sole damage.

Dr. Ware stated in his report that he was driving his car, No. 1419, down Breezy Path at about 9 o'clock last night when the mishap occurred. Dr. Ware was not injured, but was shaken by the impact.

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It is curious to note what a lot of everyday substances there are which cause discomfort and inconvenience to certain predisposed people. It is, for example, well known that some otherwise perfectly normal and wholesome persons are unable to eat even a single strawberry without suffering from a hot and uncomfortable and disfiguring rash for several hours afterwards.

This is the more surprising when it is realised what a harmless thing a strawberry is in its chemical composition. It consists, as to

very nearly 90 per cent, of water, and so far as can be ascertained it contains no acid or other irritating properties to account for its behaviour to some perfectly innocent folk.

There are several other articles

of food which behave in much the same way, not necessarily in the production of a rash, but in causing malaise or somnolence or irritability in perfectly healthy people, and the trouble being slight and transient.

It is seldom or never attributed to its proper cause.

This is not very surprising when we consider the absurd uniformity which custom imposes upon us in all matters dietetic. Everybody

eats more or less the same things

day in, day out, year in, year out,

when there ought in reality to be as much variety in food as there

is in stature and colouring.

The hide-bound habit which

characterises John Bull in so many

things has been his undoing in the

matter of food. His rotundity of

figure and churlishness of manner

are due more to unsuspected indigestion than to anything else.

When he learns that variety in

food is not only charming but

essential, he will become more

human.

LAWRENCE EASTWOOD on THAT LAZY FEELING.

MARIVAUX, it is said, once encountered a young man of twenty who asked him for alms.

Amazed at the contrast between this humiliating request and the appearance of the beggar, he said: "Are you not ashamed young and strong as you are, to beg for bread which you might gain by honest work?"

Struck by the vigour of the attack, the mendicant sobbed out: "Ah, sir, but if you only knew, I am so lazy!"

But Marivaux was not quite honest with the youth. Voltaire said of him that "he knew all the byways of the human heart, though not the high road." He knew perfectly well that he himself belonged to the great race of idlers who, under cover of a tremendous output, are desperate wasters of time.

Listen to them! Macaulay confesses to "laziness." Johnson says he "resolved"—and in vain—for fifty-five years. Rousseau dawdles. So does Goethe. Alister has to be tied with a leash to his table. Balzac tries dodging his work, and Zola, who has produced the Rougon-Macquart series, hates his self-imposed task.

Charles II., the excellent man of business and the most beloved of all our kings, plays idler and, according to Sheffield, quoted by Macaulay, his chief sultana was "sauntering." History has only canonised the remainder of his seraglio.

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That principle is the education of the powers of resistance by repeated small doses of the substance or virus which creates the symptoms.

The first small dose provokes a reaction, in the form of slight discomfort, slight malaise, possibly a slight rise in temperature.

After a suitable interval the same dose is repeated. This time the reactions are much less; and this goes on until there is no reaction at all to the original sized dose.

Then the size of the dose is raised, and when, after several injections, there is no further reaction to this the dose is again strengthened, and so on until the patient accedes with complete immunity any dose of the particular substance which may be offered to him.

It is told of a famous old gourmet that, having spoken contemptuously about someone who was said to suffer from indigestion, he was asked what he did if something disagreed with him, and he replied, "I go on eating it until I conquer."

He was applying the principle which has now been rediscovered at the Pasteur Institute, a principle which gives scientific sanction to the success of perseverance in gluttony.

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KWANGSI PEACE DELAYS.**MUCH SPECULATION RIFE IN WUCHOW.****KWEILIN TENSION.**

Wuchow, Jan. 24.
The delay in the ratification of the peace terms between the Kwangsi faction and the Nationalists is leading to much speculation as to the likely outcome of the deadlock.

While it is possible to travel in Kwangsi, even to the rebel strongholds of Nanning and Liuchow, much danger is involved. Nevertheless, there is considerable communication between Wuchow and interior points.

The large band of Reds in the western part of Kwangsi, under Li Ming-shui, is reported to have gone over to Hunan, and reports from Kweilin indicate much uneasiness in that city, due to its proximity to the Hunan border and the Red sphere.

General Chen Tsai-tong, the commander of the Nationalist forces in Kwangsi, is reported to have issued orders forbidding the merchants here to ship cargo either to Nanning or Liuchow, also prohibiting the use of the telegraph lines to these two points. Naturally, such action creates considerable conjecture, as the move indicates anything but a peaceful prospect.

Peace will be in sight only when Wang Shao-hung, Wu Ting-yang or some other appointee arrives here with his credentials. *Our Own Correspondent.*

A Nanking message says that President Chiang Kai-shek yesterday entreated Generals Wang Shao-hung, Wu Ting-yang and other Kwangsi leaders now visiting Nanking to confer with the Nationalist officials concerning an armistice between Kwangtung and Kwangsi. The peace delegates were entertained by Mr. Hu Han-min in the evening.

It is understood that many representatives of the Kwangsi districts who have arrived in Nanking with the object of presenting a strong protest against the contemplated appointment of General Wang as Military Governor petitioned the Executive Council yesterday. Many posters denouncing Gen. Wang have appeared here since the latter's arrival.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Kwangtung Armies, General Chan Chai-tong, arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon on the s.s. Langshan on his way to Nanking to participate in the conference. It is expected that he will leave for Shanghai to-day.

SOUTH'S LUCK IN CUP DRAW.

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		Goals	
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West Brom.	26	15	5
Tottenham	26	16	2
Wolves	26	16	0
Preston N.E.	25	16	0
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Port Vale	26	12	3
Burnley	25	12	5
Bradford	25	12	4
Southampton	26	11	6
Oldham	27	10	5
Stoke	26	9	11
Swansea	26	9	12
Charlton	26	8	12
Bradford C.	25	9	11
Millwall	26	9	11
Barnsley	27	7	12
Plymouth	26	8	11
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Bristol C.	26	7	13
Cardiff	25	7	14
Reading	27	6	16
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Notts. County	25	16	6
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Brighton	24	10	4
Northampton	25	12	0
Southend	25	14	3
Fulham	26	12	5
Coventry	26	12	5
Brentford	25	12	4
Torquay	25	11	10
Swindon	26	12	2
Exeter	25	9	8
Queen P. R.	18	11	12
Bournemouth	25	7	9
Luton	26	6	10
Bristol R.	26	7	11
Watford	25	9	11
Chapton O.	24	9	11
Walsall	26	7	12
Newport	26	7	13
Norwich	26	6	14
Thamea	26	6	17

THE NEW FRENCH CABINET.**BRIAND STAYS AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE.**

Paris, Jan. 27.
M. Briand has completed his task of Cabinet building, and has submitted a list of names to the President for approval.

The new Government includes M. Briand as Foreign Minister, M. Tardieu as Minister of Agriculture, M. Maginot as Minister for War, M. Flaudin as Minister of Finance, M. Dumessal as Minister of Air, and M. Reynaud as Minister of the Colonies.

M. Briand takes the Home Office portfolio as well as that of the Interior.

GLEE SINGERS' TRIUMPH.**DELIGHTFUL FAIR OFFERED LAST NIGHT.****SEASON OPENED:**

Hongkong's music-lovers were last night transported for all too brief a time, into a realm of beautiful melody and fragrant impressions. It was the opening night of the Westminster Glee Singers' season at the Theatre Royal, and the spontaneous welcome accorded this remarkably talented company marked it as being regarded as one of the finest aggregations ever to appear in Hongkong.

Synonyms for music are plentiful, but none probably fit the work of the Westminster Glee Singers better than that of "an artistic expression of beauty." To arouse a Hongkong audience to a pitch of real enthusiasm, finding expression in unstinted applause, is something of an achievement; and this is what the Glee Singers did.

From last night's performance, it is not difficult to see how the Glee Singers have enjoyed such a universal success. They owe it not merely to their inspiring vocal talents, but to the many subtleties without which their performance would not be nearly so satisfying.

Their songs, glee, choruses and son-shanties, all have a story to tell, and it is conveyed to the audience in a manner which leaves a lasting impression.

There is a complete absence of affectation, yet the singers radiate a sense of confidence in their abilities. There are no irritating intervals between their numbers, neither are they rushed through as though the predominant thought is to get it over. Their happy arrangement on the stage, and last, but not least, their complete enjoyment of the music they sing, are all factors which contribute in placing their performance above anything of the kind ever heard in Hongkong.

And what a judicious arrangement of programme! This in itself was triumph. No tiresome repetition, but full of variety. A vocal waltz, a union song, bass solo, part song, soprano solo, glee, Maori song, sea shanties, national airs, sacred music, humorous quartette, baritone solo, and old English folk songs—these comprised the offering last night, and it would be difficult to imagine anything more satisfying.

Perfect Singing.

The singing itself invites nothing but superlatives. Perfect voice production, excellent tonal balance and delightful expression were the outstanding features. The gentlemen, opening the programme with Charles Lamotte's vocal waltz "Breeze of the Night," quickly had the audience entranced, and when the boy singers followed to give sweet interpretation of "The Pipes of Pan," the success of the evening was assured.

James Barber, in singing "Youth will needs have Dalliance," showed that not only does he possess a magnificent voice, but that he knows how to use it to the best possible advantage. It was an unbound pleasure to hear his clear resonant notes. The "shadow" chorus singing in this number placed it as one of the outstanding accomplishments of the evening.

"Orpheus with his Lute," was selected as the number to introduce the full company of glee singers to Hongkong, but it was the encore "The Bells of St. Michael's Tower," which brought the house down. Nothing more effective has been heard in the Colony, and the audience demanded more.

Knox Godfrey, the leading boy soprano, appeared a little ill at ease with Gounod's "Serenade," but was far happier and more appealing in his encore "Coming Home" (Wilmot), in which he enjoyed the assistance of the choir from off-stage.

With the programme composed of practically nothing but old English and traditional airs, Ernest McKinlay's Maori song came as a real novelty, and a most enjoyable one. His perfect understanding of this rather peculiar type of music allowed him to achieve a big success.

Judging by the heartiness of the reception, undoubtedly it was the sea-shanties, led by the talented Albert Greene, which enjoyed the widest appeal. The appeal of this type of composition can, perhaps, be traced to its happy rhythm, and breezy atmosphere, but there is an art in singing these shanties. Last night, Albert Greene, assisted by the gentlemen, gave a most delightful interpretation of these sea songs, though he was no less successful in "Widdicombe Fair." Equally an enjoyable was his encore "I married a Wife."

The cycle of Welsh airs by the Glee Singers, which included

ACTION AGAINST NEONLITE CO.**CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF COMMISSION.****PARTNERSHIP ISSUE.**

In the Summary Court this morning, Mr. Justice Jacks heard a case in which Mr. J. M. Xavier, of Granville Road, Kowloon, sued the China Neonlite Company, of 24A, Des Voeux Road Central and Ip Lan-chuen, Ip Tai-kwong, and Mr. J. E. Malarchy, partners therein, for payment of commission alleged to be due in consideration of the introduction to defendants of clients who purchased Neonlites. Plaintiff further asked for a statement of accounts in connexion with purchases made by the firms introduced, named as the Asiatic Petroleum Company (South China) Ltd., and Standard Oil Company of New York, and the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.

Mr. T. J. Prior appeared for the first, third and fourth defendants, Mr. Burnie Lo for the second defendant, and Mr. D. L. Strellett was plaintiff.

Mr. Strellett said there had been considerable difficulty in tracing Mr. Lo's client, and he was entitled to assume that he had not specifically denied partnership. Mr. Lo now came along at very short notice and entered this plea. He claimed that second defendant had ample time to deny partnership beforehand.

Mr. Lo replied that his client was a man of repute in the Colony, and was not the sort to evade service. He (Mr. Lo) had both telephoned and written Mr. Strellett denying partnership.

Mr. Strellett complained that Mr. Lo did not notify him until 11 a.m. on Saturday, and as nothing could be done until Monday, it was then very late to prepare a case on the partnership issue. He submitted that the defendant could have put in an appearance before, and specifically denied the partnership.

"By not appearing before, and now entering this plea, he is actually to gain by non-compliance with the order of the Court. It is only here that the denial of partnership is jumped up at any time in this manner," added Mr. Strellett.

His Lordship adjourned the issue until after the hearing of the case against the Company, adding that if judgment were given against the Company, he would then consider the question of defendant's partnership. The question of costs would be adjourned for the time being.

Opening his case, Mr. Strellett and plaintiff, answering an advertisement by defendants, had a conversation with Mr. Ip Tai-kwong, one of the partners, but the terms offered, of commission only, did not suit him, and he did not take it on. Later, Mr. Malarchy, another partner, called on him and pointed out the prospects of the canvassing appointment, and he agreed to take the position. The terms were five per cent. of the purchase price to be paid to him on the completion of the buying contract, and a further five per cent. when the Neonlite sign was finally delivered and hung up. Plaintiff had nothing more to do than to influence people to buy the signs.

Plaintiff lost a certain amount of interest after working very hard for this time, and he found it impossible to live on the commission he was making, but the fact remained that he influenced the sales in question, and he was entitled to commission.

The case is proceeding.

"Swansea Market" and "Men of Harlech," brought the first part of the programme to a conclusion, and the selection of sacred music, a 16th Century setting to "Ave Maria," made an equally impressive opening to the latter half.

A glorious alto solo "Ye Banks and Braes" by Donald Reid followed, feature of this being vocal accompaniment by the remainder of the company.

A humourous quartette, "There are Women," was cleverly contrived by this gentlemen, who succeeded in emphasising the satirical words to their full value, while Wilfred Thomas, changing his selected number to a request, gave a masterly treatment to "Dunay Deever." His rich baritone voice and mirthful abilities were allowed full play, and the solo was one of the most satisfying numbers of the evening.

Finally, the glee singers gave a group of old English County songs, the excellent arrangement of which allowed James Barber, Maxwell Oldaker and the boy sopranos, and Albert Greene, to be heard at their very best.

Hongkong is fortunate in having this brilliant company with them for a week, for truly "In sweet music is such art."—S.A.G.

ADDED WATER TO THE MILK.**HOW COOLIE MADE UP FOR LOSS.****PROSECUTION FAILS.**

Sergeant Slater, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, charged a man named Hui Siu-choung with having for sale a can of milk unfit for human consumption.

The Sergeant said an Indian constable saw the defendant on Saturday at a street pump pouring water from a small bottle into the can. When the constable went up to the defendant, he offered him a bottle of milk if he would let him off.

The defendant admitted having poured water into the can, but pleaded that he was ignorant of the seriousness of the offence. He said he was a milk boy employed by the Tung To Dairy in Kowloon City to deliver milk to Whitfield Barracks. On Saturday morning, while carrying the milk, he fell down and some of the contents of the can were spilt. Fearing to go back to his master and inform him of the unfortunate occurrence, and as he had to deliver a full can at the barracks, he added water.

Mr. Butters discharged the accused, remarking that according to the law concerning that kind of offence, the defendant had committed no crime in adulterating the milk with water.

GANDHI KEEPING AN OPEN MIND.

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with representative Indians and constitutional experts here.

"If you wish to bind India to you by bonds of confidence, and make her happy within your Empire and Commonwealth," concluded Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, "if you wish to hear her promise you in gratitude, and remain with you in pride, then accept the work which has been done by the Conference and instruct the Government to proceed with it to a complete conclusion."

Conservative Attitude.

Sir Samuel Hoare, one of the Conservative delegates at the Conference, emphasised that many vital questions remained for future settlement and again defined the Conservative attitude.

While they recognised the great changes taking place in the East, there were certain solemn obligations which could not be abandoned. India's defence still rested on Britain, foreign affairs and international obligations should be controlled by the Crown and in the interests of India no less than of Britain, internal security and financial stability must be effectively safeguarded.

No Discrimination.

The protection of the minorities was also a solemn obligation. There must be no unfair economic or commercial discrimination against British traders and rights of the Service recruited by the Secretary of State must be observed.

What constitution might emerge must have a sure and stable foundation. If those legitimate demands were satisfied, and if the constitution for all-India was framed with effective safeguards, if the system of Government had a reasonable chance of working, the conservative would not quibble over minor details.

They were entering on a new phase of Anglo-Indian relations in which partnership must be made the moving principle and co-operation the basis of action.

Sir John Simon's Speech.

Sir John Simon said the Conference had accomplished two great things. The Indian Princes had been brought into the discussion, not only with British statesmen, but with their compatriots in British India. That was a tremendous achievement.

He and his colleagues of the Statutory Commission had, for two years, carefully considered their recommendations and had reached the conclusion now generally accepted, that it was quite impossible to visualise a satisfactory Constitution for India unless it brought the Indian Princes within the circle.

Another great achievement was that the Conference had got rid to a remarkable degree of suspicion and misunderstanding.

Nevertheless, they had only travelled a very small part of the way to be covered before the Constitution could be framed.

Four Conclusions.

The four conclusions he had reached were, firstly, he rejoiced in the success of the conference in securing the adhesion of the Princes to the general idea of an

CANTON COMMERCE CONTROL.**REGULATIONS FOR NEW CHAMBER.****BIG SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

Canton, Jan. 26. With a view to peacing the activities of merchants under one supreme command, the local commercial organs have formed a "Direction Commission" to decide on regulations governing the organisation of a new Chamber of Commerce in Canton which is to be formally inaugurated by February

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**SHAMEEN TENNIS CLUB.****RESULTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPETITIONS.**

The results of the Ladies Singles' Championship, Ladies' Singles Handicap, Ladies' Handicap Doubles and the Mixed Doubles, held under the auspices of the Shameen Lawn Tennis Club during the season 1930/1931 are as follows:

Ladies' Handicap Doubles.

First Round.—Mdme. Eales and Wolcott (—½15) beat Misses Black and Lehman (—10) 6/4, 6/2; Mdme. Olivercrona and Cleopatra (plus ½15) beat Mdme. Gilman and Manning (Plus 15) 6/2, 6/0; Mdme. Laffond and Miss Beer (—½30) bye; Mdmes. Wolf and Tuson (scratch) bye.

Second Round.—Mdme. Laffond and Miss Beer beat Mdmes. Eales and Wolcott 6/3, 6/2; Mdmes. Olivercrona and Cleopatra beat Mdmes. Wolf and Tuson 6/0, 6/3.

Final.—Mdmes. Olivercrona and Cleopatra beat Mdmes. Laffond and Miss Beer 6/4, 6/7, 6/2.

Ladies' Singles Handicap.

First round.—Mrs. Surber (—30) bye; Miss Black (—½30) bye; Mrs. Smith (scratch) bye; Mrs. Lehmann (—30) bye; Mdme. Olivercrona (plus ½15) beat Mrs. Cruckshank (plus 15) 8/6, 6/3; Mrs. Gibbons (scratch) bye; Mrs. Milne, Laffond (—½15) bye; Mrs. Eales (scratch) bye.

Second round.—Miss Black beat Mrs. Surber 6/4, 6/3; Mrs. Lehmann w/o from Mrs. Smith; Mdme. Olivercrona beat Mrs. Gibbons, 3/6, 6/1, 6/2; Mdme. Laffond beat Mrs. Eales 6/0, 6/1.

Semi-finals.—Miss Black beat Miss Lehmann, 6/4, 6/3; Mdme. Olivercrona beat Mdme. Laffond, 6/3, 6/4.

Final.—Miss Black beat Mdme. Olivercrona, 7/6, 4/0, 6/3.

Ladies' Singles Championship.

First round.—Mrs. Watson, bye; Mdme. Olivercrona, bye; Miss Black, bye; Miss Beer, bye; Mrs. Lehmann beat Mdme. Laffond, 6/1, 7/6, 6/2; Mrs. Smith, bye; Mrs. Gibbons, bye; Mrs. Surber, bye.

Second round.—Mdme. Olivercrona w/o from Mrs. Watson; Miss Black beat Miss Beer, 6/4, 6/3; Miss Lehmann w/o from Mrs. Smith; Mrs. Surber beat Mrs. Gibbons, 6/3, 6/3.

Semi-finals.—Miss Black beat Mdme. Olivercrona, 6/2, 6/4; Miss Lehmann beat Mrs. Surber, 6/1, 6/0.

Final.—Miss Black beat Miss Lehmann, 6/3, 6/4.

Mixed Doubles Handicap.

1st Round.—Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons (scratch) bye; Mrs. Olivercrona and Manning (scratch) beat Mr. and Mrs. Eales (—½15) 6/2, 6/1; Mrs. Tuson and Braud (plus ½15) beat Miss Beer and Lancaster (—½15) 7/6, 6/4; Mdme. Cleopatra and Platt (scratch) beat Mrs. Coates and Gilman (—½15) 7/6, 6/3; Mdme. Laffond and Hallie (—½15) beat Mrs. Manning and Annett (scratch), 2/6, 6/3, 6/3; Miss Lehmann

TOBACCO AND SPIRIT SMUGGLING.**"FIND" ON BOARD RIVER STEAMER.**

Shameen, Jan. 20. Aboard the river steamer Tai Lee, at an early hour this morning, there was considerable bustle and activity as Revenue Officers made a surprise visit, with the view to discovering the source of a large quantity of contraband liquor and tobacco. Searching the stokehold, they lifted some iron plates, to disclose a secret compartment in which were found 17 jars of Chinese spirits and some five pounds of Chinese tobacco.

With evidence thus secured of systematic smuggling the arrest was immediately effected, following the discovery, of all the personnel of the stokehold. By a process of questioning and elimination, only the head fireman and his immediate subordinate were retained, for Police Court proceedings which occurred at a later hour before the Magistrate (Mr. Williams).

A plea of "not guilty" was tendered by the head fireman and of "guilty" by his subordinate, to charges of possession of the dutiable spirits and tobacco.

Revenue Officer Grinnell, in charge of the case, said his information was to the effect that the whole affair was a business in which the head fireman was as much concerned as were the others. However, he had no evidence to support the charge against the head fireman.

The head fireman was discharged, while the other man was fined \$250 and \$100 respectively on the two charges, with alternative sentences of two months' and six weeks' imprisonment.

and Greene (—40) beat Mrs. Wolf and Wilson (—15), 6/4, 6/2; Mr. and Mrs. Cruckshank (plus ½15) beat Miss Black and Forster (—½15), 6/2, 6/2; Miss Fulton and Rankin (—30) w/o from Mr. and Mrs. Watson.

2nd Round.—Mdme. Olivercrona and Manning beat Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons, 6/1, 6/4; Mdme. Cleopatra and Platt beat Mrs. Tuson and Braud, 6/3, 6/2; Mdme. Laffond and Hallie beat Miss Lehmann and Greene, 12/10, 8/6; Miss Fulton and Rankin beat Mr. and Mrs. Cruckshank, 6/4, 6/2.

Semi-finals.—Mdme. Cleopatra and Platt beat Mrs. Olivercrona and Manning, 2/6, 6/4, 7/6; Miss Fulton and Rankin beat Mdme. Laffond and Hallie, 6/1, 9/2.

Final.—Miss Fulton and Rankin received a walk-over from Madame Cleopatra and Platt owing to Mr. Platt's absence from Canton.—Our Own Correspondent.

TUNGSHAN GOLF CLUB.**BEST SCORE FOR THREE YEARS.**

Canton, Jan. 26.

In the qualifying round of the Captain's Cup Competition played at the Tungshan Golf Club yesterday, K. L. Dugan returned the very excellent score of 74 minus 8=66, going out in 39 and returning in 36. This is the best score returned since J. C. H. Bonbright won the championship with a gross score of 70 in 1928, when he did the second nine holes in 35.

The second-best card of the day was returned by H. H. Laffond with a score of 87 minus 14=73.—Our Own Correspondent.

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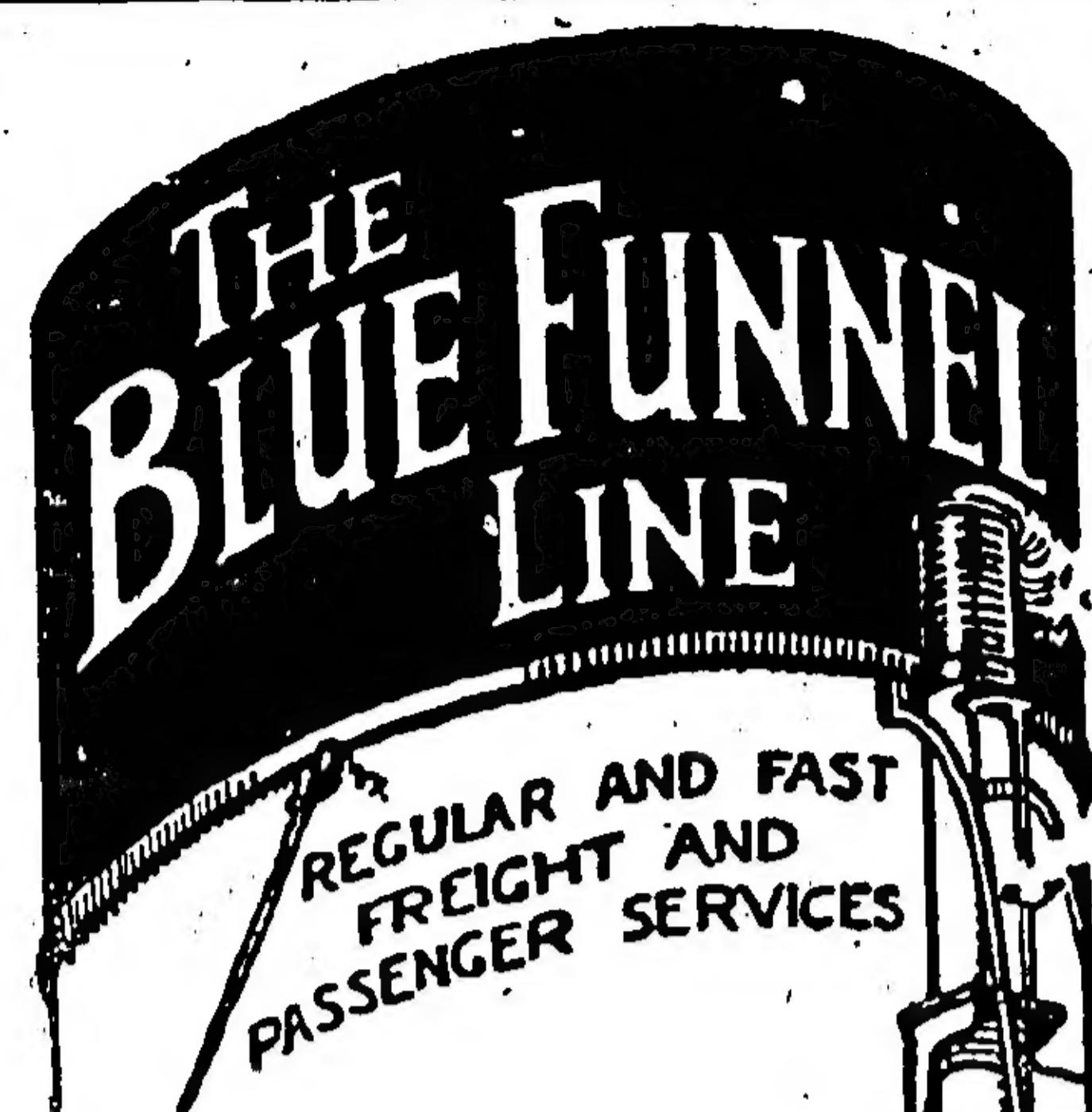
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THE SIM SHIELD.**CLUB'S ADVANTAGE IN LOCAL HOCKEY COMPETITION.**

Through their two successes against the Army, the Hongkong Hockey Club has gained a useful advantage in the Sim Shield, the premier hockey competition in Hongkong, and should they defeat the Navy on Wednesday, it will make them strong favourites.

The Club and the Navy should have met in this triangular tournament a fortnight ago, but owing to so many ships being out of port at the time, the match was postponed.

On February 2, the two Services will meet in their first game, and the return will take place the following week, thus leaving only the second match between the Club and the Navy to be played off.

By that time, the destiny of the trophy will probably be decided.

The Club Team.

Below is the team to represent the Club against the Navy in the Sim Shield to-morrow afternoon: Gregory, J. E. Henry, J. Rodger, J. Noronha, M. W. Turner, A. Dand, T. J. Price, C. C. Francis, G. R. More, M. G. Marriott, G. P. Lamont, Reserves: A. Botelho and R. H. D. Wade.

Y.M.C.A. Team for To-day.

The following have been selected to represent the Y.M.C.A. hockey team against the Radio Sports Club at King's Park today, at 5 p.m.: W. H. Smith, R. Dorner, L. Tipple, G. Mitchell, F. Allen, F. S. W. Smith, T. J. Price, J. Smith, R. H. Ashton, W. J. Brown, A. Tait.

JAPAN COMMUNISTS.**THIRTY-FOUR SENTENCED IN TOKYO COURTS.**

Tokyo, Jan. 26. Sentences ranging from one to six years imprisonment have been passed in Tokyo on 34 alleged Communists who were arrested on April 16, 1929, during the country-side round-up of suspected Communists.

Thirty others tried in Osaka were sentenced to from two to seven years with hard labour.

It is recalled that under the Peace Preservation Law as revised in 1928 Communists are liable to capital punishment.—Reuters.

GOLD PURCHASES.**DUTCH BANK REVISES ITS FINENESS.**

Amsterdam, Jan. 26. The bank of the Netherlands has revised a clause in its statutes regarding the purchase of gold. It now lays down that as a rule the bank will buy bullion in a weight about twelve and a half kilograms, and with a fineness of 994 per 1,000, but may buy as low as 899 if it be exclusively composed of the metal of most recently current coins.—Reuters.

EWIN SCORES K.O.**BEATS MIDDLEWEIGHT IN MANILA.**

Good reception marked the relay from Manila on Saturday night, when the meeting of Seaman Harry Ewin of H.L.M.S. Kent and Carlos Logar was broadcast and relayed by Z.B.W. Ewin won the contest by a knockout in the eighth round.

Measures received by Ewin's friends in the Colony confirm the radio information. Ewin is due to meet Jack Chrichton for the Colony's middleweight belt on Saturday, February 7, at the City Hall.

LOCAL RADIO.**RELAY TO-NIGHT FROM KO SHING THEATRE.**

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5.00-5.40 p.m. Variety.

Monologue—Bluebeard—Bedtime Story.

With Wynne, 3044.

Song—Blue Bird, Sing Me A Song.

Mcville Gideon (Baritone), 2791.

Humorous Song—Soups 'Earrings.'

Will Kings, 3161.

Monologue—Building A Chicken House.

Will Evans, 3317.

Vocal Duet—Thinking Of You (From The Five O'clock Girl).

Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham, 3029.

Humorous Song—Brof' (King).

Suzette Tarr, 2900.

Monologue—An Old Flame.

John Henry, 3278.

Humorous Song—A Dicky Bird Told Me.

Ann Penn, 3002.

5.40-6.30 p.m. Orchestral.

Londonberry Air (Arr. Grainer).

Air On G String (Bach).

New Symphony Orchestra, 2913.

L'Amour Sorcer (Love The Magician).

(De Falla).

Vida Breve (Spanish Dance).

(De Falla).

Symphony Orchestra, 1408.

Fantasia and Fugue (Ench arr. Elgar).

London Symphony Orchestra, 1560.

Bavarian Dance (Elgar).

London Symphony Orchestra, 1387.

Capriccio Italien (Tchaikowsky).

Berlin State Opera Orchestra, 1598.

Morning, Noon and Night In Vienna (Suppe).

Vienna Philharmonic Orch, 1607.

7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations).

6.30-7.15 p.m. Concert Items.

Organ Solo—Brown Bird Singing (Haydn Wood).

Roginald Foort, 2664.

Song—Bird of Love Divine (Haydn Wood).

Song—Valley Of Laughter (Sanderson).

Mavis Bennett (Soprano), 2672.

Pianoforte Solo-Sonata In A Major (Scarlett).

Pianoforte Solo-Ecosalce (Beethoven).

Misha Levitski, 587.

Song—I Hear A Thrush At Eve (Cradman).

Song—Absent (Metcalfe).

Derek Oldham (Tenor), 2600.

Violin Solo-La Sonnenta (Angel's Sorename) (Braga).

Marjorie Hayward, 2634.

Song—a Lowlands b. Highland Laddie (arr. Taylor Harris).

Song—a Blow The Man Down b. Tom's Gone To Illo (Arr. Terry).

John Gross and The Cathedral Male Vocal Quartet, 2696.

Pianoforte Solo-Staccato Etude (Rubinstein).

Pianoforte Solo-La Campanella (Paganini-Liszt).

Misha Levitski, 1489.

Song—Blow, Blow Thou Winter Wind (Sargeant).

Robert Radford (Bass), 1278.

7.15-7.50 p.m. Instrumental.

Introduction and Allegro For Harp With Strings and Woodwind Accompaniment.

Novelties, No. 3 (Bridge).

Virtuous String Quintet, 1602-1603.

Sonata No. 1 (Dolius).

May Harrison (Violinist) and Arnold Bax (Pianist), 1749-1750.

7.50-8.00 p.m. Two Organ Solos.

La Nuit (Elert).

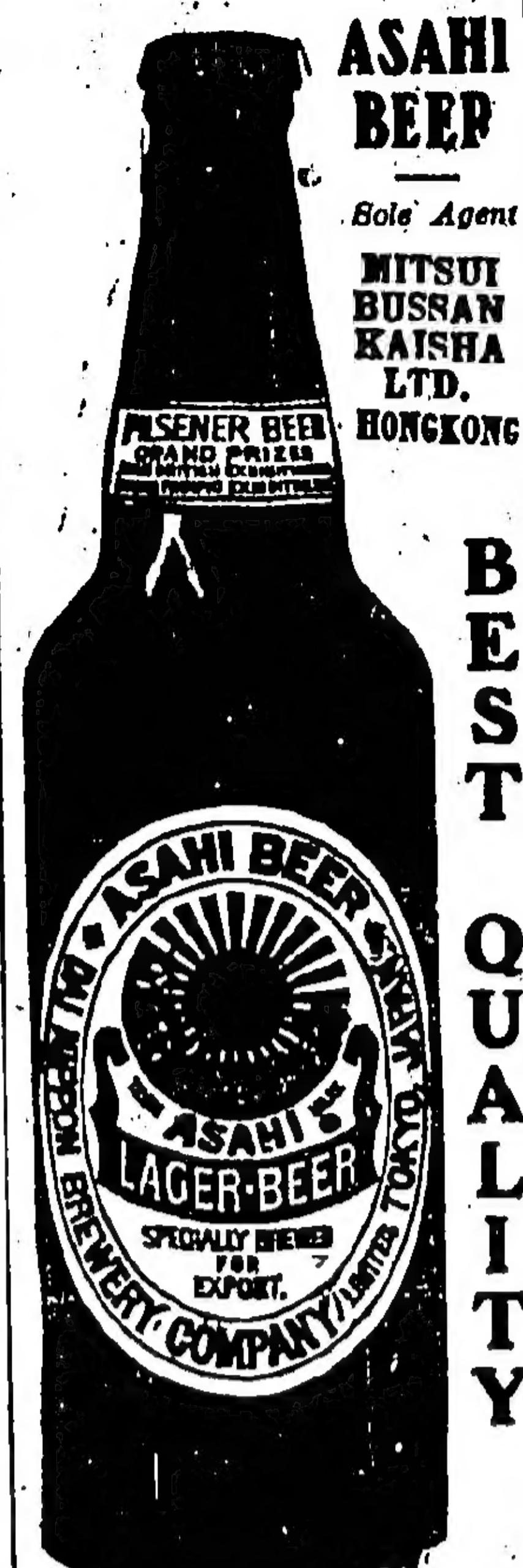
Evening Song (Bairdstone).

Harry Gross-Custard, 1825.

8.00 p.m. Ko Shing Theatre Relay.

8.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

11.30 p.m. Close Down.

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Empress of Russia	Mar. 10	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Apr. 4		
Empress of Japan	Apr. 1	Apr. 4	Apr. 7	Apr. 9	Apr. 17		
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Empress of Canada	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	Apr. 30	May 2	May 14		
Empress of Russia	May 8	May 11	May 14	May 16	May 25		
Empress of Japan	May 23	May 26	May 29	May 30	June 10		
Empress of Asia	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22		
Empress of Canada	June 20	June 23	June 25	June 27	July 8		
Empress of Russia	July 3	July 6	July 9	July 11	July 20		
Empress of Japan	July 10	July 21	July 23	July 25	Aug. 5		
Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	Aug. 17		

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PARTIAL AMNESTY IN INDIA.

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tion rejecting "the alleged conclusions reached by the so-called Round Table," and have emphatically endorsed the All Indian National Congress stand at Lahore in demanding Swaraj, and also urge the Nationalists to continue the struggle for freedom with redoubled vigour.—Reuter.

Lahore Outrage.

Lahore, Jan. 26.

Rejecting the jury's recommendation for more, the Sessions Judge, Mr. Justice Anderson, has sentenced to death Harl Kishan, charged with the murder of a police sub-Inspector and the attempted murder of the Governor of the Punjab and a police inspector.—Reuter.

[Sir Geoffrey De Montmorency, the Governor of the Punjab, was slightly wounded by two revolver shots when leaving the University Convocation at Lahore on December 23. Two arrests were made in connexion with the outrage. The Governor was fired at from extremely close quarters and had a very narrow escape. One bullet struck his left arm and another grazed his back. A third struck Sub-Inspector Chanan Singh, who died later. Two constables and a woman doctor were also wounded.]

ROBBERY PREVENTED.

ARMED MEN RAID HOUSE IN KENNEDY ROAD.

Owing to an alarm being promptly raised in a neighbouring house, five robbers, who succeeded in gaining entrance to No. 60, Kennedy Road, ground floor, yesterday morning, were compelled to decamp without accomplishing their object.

Wong Mi, widow, in a report to the Police, states that the man entered the house at a quarter to twelve yesterday, two of them being armed with butchers' knives. They bound and gagged her, together with her aman, with clothes that they had brought with them, apparently for that purpose.

While thus engaged, a police whistle was sounded at No. 58, Kennedy Road, and when they heard it the men ran away. Nothing was stolen. No arrests had been effected last night.

Two knives were picked up by the Police, these having been discarded in the house by the robbers.

LATE CAPT. SCHOOP.

SERVICES REPRESENTED IN IMPRESSIVE CORTEGE.

Flags on British warships in port were flown at half-mast yesterday in respect to the late Capt. A. K. Schoop, commander of the United States Naval Patrol of South China, when an impressive cortège conveyed his body from the Royal Naval Hospital to the liner President Jackson.

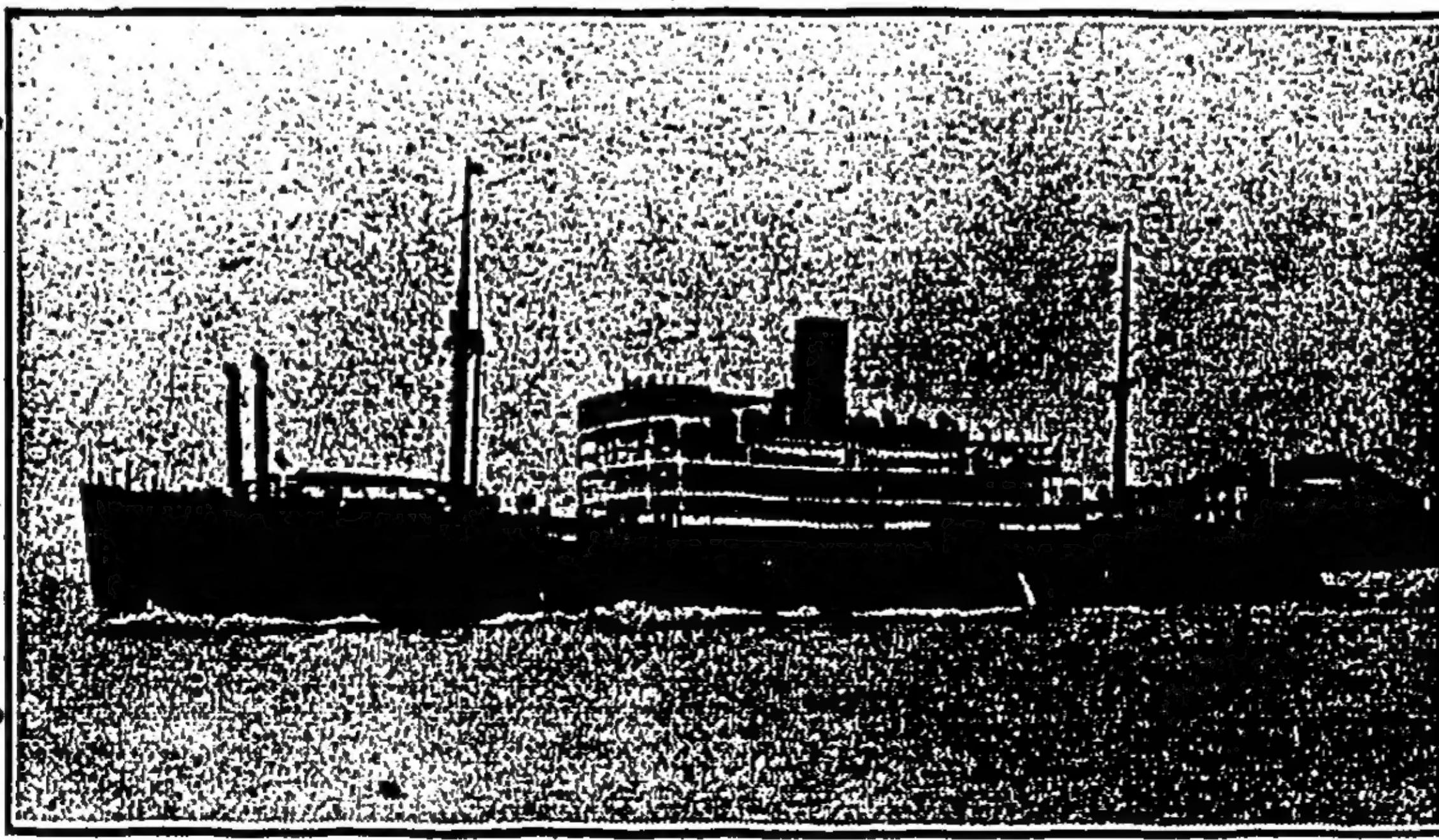
All the British services in Hongkong were represented. The President Jackson left for America, where the body will be interred.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 14th February 1931, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1931.

David's Day should include the Battalion.

Mrs. Rendall then proposed that a dinner be held at Lane, Crawford's restaurant on the night before St. David's Day (i.e., Saturday night).

This was agreed to by the meeting as Saturday night would be convenient for a larger number of members.

The following sub-committee was then appointed to make the arrangements of the annual dinner:—President, Vice-President, Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Rendall, and Mr. D. M. Richards.

It was also decided to lay a wreath on the Cenotaph on St. David's Day at 10 a.m. Members were requested to attend the ceremony.

Mr. K. R. Davies was elected Vice-President and Mr. E. R. Price was re-elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. Hugh-Jones, who took the chair from Mr. Richards on being elected, asked the meeting to make some proposals with regard to celebrating St. David's Day. He reminded the gathering that it fell on Sunday this year, and that they had with them in the Colony the South Wales Borderers. He thought that any arrangements that they made with regard to St.

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RETRENCHMENT IN THE F.M.S.

COMMITTEE SAVES BIG SUM IN EXPENDITURE.

TAXES TO REMAIN.

Singapore, Jan. 19. The report of the select committee appointed to consider the possibility of making reductions of expenditure in the F.M.S. Supply Bill for 1931 was laid before the Federal Council at today's meeting.

It has been found possible to make reductions to the extent of \$1,472,684, but owing to new circumstances which have arisen the committee was unable to recommend any reductions in the taxation imposed last October.

The committee consisted of the Hon. Mr. G. P. Bradley, Financial Advisor (chairman), the Hon. Mr. J. Loria, Resident of Selangor; the Hon. Mr. H. B. Egmont Hake, the Hon. Mr. A. G. Glenister and the Hon. Mr. San Ah Wing. Below are extracts from the Committee's report:

The reductions under the votes for the Civil and Clerical Services and Malay Officers are based on percentages taken over the last ten years of the annual savings actually made on these votes. In other cases the reductions are the result of revised expenditure estimates submitted by the heads of departments at the request of the Committee, based on the assumption that vacant appointments would be far as possible carried out until that travelling expenditure would be curtailed where possible by 1 per cent., or such other economies as might be effected, and generally that the estimates should be limited strictly to such charges as would actually be paid during the financial year.

Although it is not possible to recommend any reductions of existing taxation the Committee would view with favour the substitution so far as may be possible of taxes on amusements and betting for the present tax on sugar.

While it is beyond the terms of reference to make recommendations other than such as may be effected in the estimates for 1931, we are considering with the concurrence of the Chief Secretary the possibility of effecting economies in the public expenditure which will assist in bringing the total expenditure within an estimated annual revenue of \$10,000,000.

These proposals will form the subject of a separate report to the Chief Secretary.

MURDER THEORY DISCOUNTED.

DEATH RELIEVED DUE TO DROWNING.

Following the post-mortem examination, it has been revealed that the Chinese whose body was found in a nullah in Soi Street, near its intersection with Canton Road, Yaumati, died from drowning and that he had not, as first thought, been murdered.

The body was found early yesterday morning and although there were no external marks of violence a piece of cloth in the man's mouth gave rise to the suspicion that he had been the victim of murder. The latest revelation, however, has discounted the theory that the man had been killed and this morning the police authorities announced that he had died from drowning.

It is presumed that the man had been working on the side of the nullah and lost his balance, striking his head as he fell. Then, in a semi-conscious condition, as he struggled to regain his feet but was drowned, the piece of cloth probably becoming lodged in his mouth during his struggle.

PESHAWAR DEFENCE PROGRAMME.

MILITARY POSTS AND ROADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

New Delhi, Jan. 26.

After the attacks in the Peshawar region last year when the Afghans crossed the border and attacked British posts, the Government has sanctioned the construction of special military posts, linked by metallized roads across the Khurjuri and Aknukhel Plains.

The object is to prevent hostile concentrations from threatening Peshawar.

Experimental borings have resulted in the finding of water and the posts are now being constructed. In addition, a bridge is being built over the Bara River.

The operations have already reached a stage permitting a material reduction in the number of troops maintained for the protection of the area from the invasions of the tribesmen.—Reuter.

THAT SILVER LOAN PROPOSAL.

HU HAN-MIN ON TERMS ON AGREEMENT.

FUND TO BE ADMINISTERED BY JOINT BODY.

INTERIOR PROGRESS.

The Nanking official Central News Agency publishes a lengthy statement by Mr. Hu Han-min, Chairman of the Legislative Yuan, regarding the proposed loan of 1,000,000,000 ounces of silver to China.

According to Mr. Hu, negotiations concerning the proposed silver loan are proceeding between Judge Paul Linbarger, Senator Key Pittman, of Nevada, and the Chairman of the International Silver Commission.

Five articles are contained in the proposed agreement:

1. That the loan shall be made by the United States Government to the Chinese Government for constructive projects and for the development of Sino-American commerce.

2. That the loan shall total 1,000,000,000 ounces of silver, to be paid in five installments of 200,000,000 ounces each. The first installment shall be paid before July, 1931, and the other installments whenever they are needed by the Chinese Government.

No Security.

3. That the loan shall be for 50 years at an annual interest of two per cent. After 1941, however, the Chinese Government may redeem the loan either by silver or gold payments, as it sees fit.

4. That there shall be no security for the loan and that Government bonds are to be issued by the Chinese Government, the principal and interest of which shall be in terms of silver.

5. That a joint commission consisting of representatives of the Chinese and American governments shall be formed to supervise the use of the loan, while a special bank may be established for management.

Domestic Development.

Referring to arguments against the loan, Mr. Hu Han-min stated that it would not bring about a drop in the value of silver. If the loan were to be used for the purchase of materials abroad, this would probably tend to lower the value of silver; but in this case the loan would be used for the development of the interior, thus buying no connexion with business transactions in the seaports.

All the silver in China, Mr. Hu continued, was held in the seaports. In the interior it was almost impossible to get any of the white metal and, therefore, bringing silver into the interior would relieve the situation.

Mr. Hu pointed out that the loan would be used for productive purposes and that it would eventually result in increased exports from China and with such an increase the world silver market would be stabilised. There was no fear, Mr. Hu concluded, of an overabundance of silver in China.

Dr. C. C. Wu's Comment.

Washington, Jan. 22. Dr. Wu Chao-chu, the Chinese Minister to the United States, announced today that he is unable to state the position of the government at Nanking with regard to specific but so far unofficial proposals for a silver loan by the United States to China.

Negotiations for a silver loan to China are only in the initial stage, Dr. Wu said. However, he expressed belief that the Nanking Government will give careful consideration to loan proposals when they become official and if repayment arrangements are satisfactory. Dr. Wu said, also, that low interest rates would have to be provided.

Dr. Wu told the United Press that it appears that conditions are ripe for the launching of a large scale programme of public works construction in China, and for this reason, he said, long term loans might be useful to China.

Informal Talks.

Within recent days Dr. Wu has been in informal conference with Senator Key Pittman, Democrat of Nevada, a silver-producing state, who is anxious to obtain official approval for plans for a large silver loan to China.

Officials of government, executive departments here continue to profess ignorance of proposals for making a silver loan to the Chinese national Government.

Mr. Ogden L. Mills, the Under-Secretary of the Treasury, in an interview expressed astonishment at reports emanating from Nanking that funds in silver have been deposited in the United States treasury and ear-marked for use in a "prospective loan to China."

CAUCUS APPROVES MR. THEODORE.

OPPOSITION MAY REFUSE TO RECOGNISE.

POST STILL VACANT.

Canberra, Jan. 26. The Labour caucus has ratified Mr. Theodore's re-admission to the Cabinet. The caucus has agreed to adjourn for three weeks in order to give Mr. Theodore and Mr. Scullin time to prepare their financial policy and obtain the Cabinet's approval thereof.

Mr. Theodore will not resume the Treasurership immediately and it is not yet known what will be the attitude of the Opposition thereto, but there is a possibility of their refusing to recognise him. An earlier intimation stated that the Federal Cabinet, by a majority, decided to re-appoint Mr. Theodore as Treasurer, it being added that the case which led to the previous resignation is still pending.—Reuter.

[It was reported from Sydney on July 6 that the Federal Treasurer, the Rt. Hon. Mr. Edward Grinville, Theodore, had resigned, following the announcement of the findings of the Queensland Royal Commission of Enquiry into the circumstances attending the purchase of Mumguma (Chillagoe) Mines by the Queensland Labour Government, when Mr. Theodore was Premier.

The Commission found that Mr. Theodore and another Labour ex-Premier, Mr. W. McCormack, also Mr. Goddard, who was Mine Manager of Chillagoe, were guilty of fraud and dishonesty in procuring the State to purchase the mines for £10,000. Mr. Theodore, interviewed, hotly denied the charges, which he declared, were the work of his political enemies. Mr. Theodore made it clear that his resignation would only operate until these charges were cleared up.]

NEW BARRISTER.

ADMISSION OF MR. TUNG FAN-LO.

In the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. Justice Wood agreed to a motion for the admission of Mr. Tung Fan-lo, of 99, Queen's Road, Central, as a barrister practitioner.

The Hon. Mr. G. C. Alabaster, K.C., in moving the admission, said Mr. Tung was called to the Bar at Gray's Inn on July 2nd, last year. He had had a distinguished legal career, being educated at the Saipingpan Government School (New King's College), from where he went to Queen's College, and became the first holder of the Allen Morris Memorial scholarship. There he was also successful in winning the Ho Pook, Ho Tung and Senior Morrison scholarships, and he matriculated with honours in 1912. He went to the University as President of China Government and Canton Scholar and in January, 1927, took his B.A. degree. In July of the same year he left for London, when he was immediately admitted to the Faculty of Law, University College, London, and Gray's Inn. In July, 1928, he took his LL.B. degree, University of London, with honours, and in the same month passed his Bar final.

Mr. Justice Wood, in accepting the motion, said he hoped Mr. Tung would enjoy a happy and successful practice in the Colony.

NEW GOVERNOR OF BERMUDA.

LIEUT. GEN. T. A. CUBITT APPOINTED.

London, Jan. 26. Lieutenant General Thomas Cubitt, G.O.C. 2nd Division since 1928, has been appointed Governor of Bermuda in succession to the late Sir Louis Bots, who died in September last.

Lt. Gen. Cubitt is nearly sixty years of age. He entered the Army in 1891, was promoted Captain in 1900 and Major-General in 1919. Served numerous campaigns in South and West Africa between 1898 and 1903, and commanded the European forces in Somaliland at the outbreak of the World War.

He was given the command of a division in France in 1915, and served until the termination of the war.

—Reuter.

MR. C. T. WANG NOW BETTER.

Peking, Jan. 26. Mr. C. T. Wang has recovered sufficiently to permit him to leave to-morrow on a special train for Nanking.

The Foreign Minister has to hurry back to Nanking to fulfil his engagements with several of the foreign Ministers to China who will be visiting the National capital next week to discuss the extraterritorial issue.

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